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- (a) a first metal having hydrogenation activity and selected from palladium, ruthenium, nickel, or cobalt;
- (b) a second metal, different from the first metal, selected from zinc, tin, nickel or cobalt; and
- (c) a crystalline inorganic oxide material having an X-ray diffraction pattern including the following d-spacing maxima  $12.4\pm0.25$ ,  $6.9\pm0.15$ ,  $3.57\pm0.07$  and  $3.42\pm0.07$ .
- 9. (First Amended) The catalyst of claim 7 wherein the crystalline inorganic oxide material is MCM-22 having an Alpha value greater than about 170.
- 10. (Three Times Amended) A catalyst suitable for the hydroalkylation of an aromatic hydrocarbon comprising:
  - (a) MCM-22 zeolite having an Alpha value greater than about 170;
  - (b) ruthenium; and
  - (c) tin.
- 11. (Amended) A catalyst suitable for the hydroalkylation of an aromatic hydrocarbon comprising:

ruthenium;

tin; and

a crystalline inorganic oxide material having an X-ray diffraction pattern including the following d-spacing maxima 12.4±0.25, 6.9±0.15, 3.57±0.07 and 3.42±0.07, wherein the crystalline inorganic oxide material is selected from PSH-3, SSZ-25, MCM-36, MCM-49 or MCM-56.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 7 has been amended to reinstate the scope of the original claims. It has also been amended to correct a typographical error, replacing "a" with "an" before the